

SENATE RESOLUTION No. ____

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A SENATE RESOLUTION to honor Roberta Sipe as the
Indiana, Midwest, and National Elementary Physical Education
Teacher of the Year.

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SENATE RESOLUTION

MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

A SENATE RESOLUTION to honor Roberta Sipe as the Indiana, Midwest, and National Elementary Physical Education Teacher of the Year.

Whereas, Roberta Sipe has been an outstanding educator for 23 years. Having taught at various levels throughout her career, including high school for nine years, middle school for ten years, and one semester at Franklin College, Mrs. Sipe and is now in her fourth year as an elementary teacher at Rosa Parks-Edison Elementary School (RPE) in Perry Township, in Marion County;

Whereas, Mrs. Sipe is very passionate about teaching physical fitness and nutrition to young children. At RPE, she has been a great collaborator with all teachers in developing unique school-wide curriculum integration projects;

Whereas, Mrs. Sipe created intensive, one week, interdisciplinary units where all classroom teachers are involved and create lessons around a single theme. These mini lessons are aligned with health standards and give other classroom teachers an opportunity to capitalize on current events;

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Whereas, as a result of Mrs. Sipe's mini lessons, students are challenged to demonstrate competency in motor skill development patterns through her sequential, balanced curriculum. All the while, Mrs. Sipe instills the love of fitness and fairness through game play;

Whereas, Mrs. Sipe serves as a coordinator for the RPE Fighters Against Drugs Everywhere (FADE) organization which teaches students about choosing a healthy lifestyle without drugs and tobacco. In addition, Mrs. Sipe also meets regularly with 4th and 5th grade students to discuss drug awareness and plan school wide drug prevention incentives;

Whereas, Mrs. Sipe has also helped the staff at RPE live healthier lifestyles by encouraging them to be aware of their daily physical activity and offering helpful suggestions on how to become more active; and

Whereas, Roberta Sipe has been nominated for many accolades by her peers. The American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation & Dance and the National Association of Sport & Physical Education recognized Roberta as the 2007 Elementary Physical Education Teacher of the Year in Indiana, the Midwest, and at the National level: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. The Indiana Senate recognizes Roberta Sipe for her
2 dedication to the health and fitness of students and congratulates her on
3 being named the Indiana, Midwest, and National Elementary Physical
4 Education Teacher of the Year.

5 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to
6 transmit a copy of this Resolution to Metropolitan School District of
7 Perry Township Superintendent Dr. Douglas Williams, Rosa Parks-
8 Edison Elementary School Principal Gary Robinson, and Roberta Sipe.

